LOCAL GATHERINGS.

-Frank B. Martell advertises else-

where the sale of his house on Caledonia

-The doctors report a return of the

No. 49, New England Order of Protection,

Grand Warden E. E. Sargent and staff.

customers for their generous patronage.

-The Y. M. C. A. held "open house"

-The annual village meeting opens at

9 o'clock this morning in the Town Hall.

The regular business of the meeting will

probably be taken up immediately after

bonds, not to exceed \$20,000, to buy land and build the new schoolhouse in

for installation which is to be the follow

street, and other personal property.

evening from 7 to 9.

next Monday.

Hall Friday evening.

Jan. 19, at 1.30 p. m.

A CLOAK SALE

WHAT IT MEANS TO

It's a short story, but full of interest to the Ladies of St. Johnsbury and vicinity. TOO MANY CLOAKS and the season for profits is over. The warm weather of September and October did it, but what is our loss will be your gain. Some will remember the cloak sale of last season and the low prices and great values we gave you then. This year we have marked the garments so low that the sale will be a short one as they will soon be gone and we can give our attention to other goods. Every garment in our elegant stock will be included in this sale. This is the way we propose to mark them:

LADIES' JACKETS

that are worth from \$8 00 to \$10.00, all this season's goods and very stylish, made of good materials and in many cases lined throughout, will be mar-

\$4.98 LADIES' JACKETS

that sold this season from \$19 00 to \$22 50 will be marked \$12 98 They are the best ones we have and are perfect in fit, and made from the best cloths and by the best artisans in the cloak business. All are satin or heavy talfeta silk lined. Remember the LADIES' CAPES price

\$12.98

The balance of the Ladies' Jackets will be marked \$298 and any Jacket in the lot is well worth \$6 00. Remember the price will be

LADIES' JACKETS

that are marked from \$10 00 to \$16 50 will be marked \$7 49 Most of these are satin or silk lined. The cloths are of the best Kersey, Cheviot and Boucle makes with new sleeves. High or low collars, and very cheap at the former prices. Remember these will be

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You can buy a \$4 00 one for \$1 98 " " a 550 " " 298 " " an 850 " " " " " a 13 50 " "

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We bave had many compliments on our supurb line of Children's Jackets. The low prices on such stylish goods has been a marvel to many. We offer you what is left at less than they cost the manufacturer.

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For the best ones we ask " 450 to 600 ones, " 3 50 to 4.50 "

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made of soft eiderdown and handsomely trimmed with fur and braid, at about ONE HALF former prices. You should see

7 50

-The selectmen have called a special school meeting on the evening of Satur-

As with all our sales, we will have exactly what we advertise, and no matter what the price will be the goods will be the best money can buy, as we keep nothing else. Sale to commence Wednesday morning and last as long day, Jan. 14, to take action on issuing as the garments are here.

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The New York Sun. Little Men and Women. To Rent, Suit of Rooms. Ayer's American Almanac. Junk Dealer-J. Stebinsky. Auction Sale .- F. B. Martel. Sleighs for Sale-C. B. Weeks. One Third Off-S. A. Moore & Co. Woman Wanted to do Housework. A Wite's Right-National Life Ins. Co. The New Year-Barbour's Business College.

FRATERNITY MEETINGS.

Palestine Commandery, No. 8, K. T. The next Stated Conclave of Palestine commandery occurs Tuesday evening. Dec-PERLEY P. HAZEN,

DELOS M. BACON. Knights of Pythias. Regular convention of Apollo Lodge No. : Tuesday night, January 10.

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Annual Meeting,

The annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Caledonia National Bank of Danville, Vt. for the election of directors for the ensuing year, will be held at the office of said Bank in Danville, on Tuesday, the tenth day of January, 1899 at 1 o'clock in the afternoon. Danvil'e, Vt,, Dec. 5, 1898.

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-Public installation services of the newly elected officers of Chamberlin Post, No. 1, G. A. R., will be held in G. A. R. Hall, Saturday evening, Jan. 7. All COUGH! comrades and their friends are invited and it is hoped there will be a large at-

ing Saturday evening.

knew where he was at.

-The police will permit sli'ling one night in the week commencing Wednesday, Jan. 11, on Hastings hill, Warner hill, Concord avenue and Pleasant street. The police will be in attendance on those evenings to keep teams out of the way of the coasters.

-A quarterly dividend of three per cent has been declared by the Reece Button Hole Machine Company, payable having tendered an invitation. The Jan 16, and the International Button national commander saw no impro-Hole Sewing Machine Company has declared a dividend of 1 per cent, payable the same date.

-The Boucher case, which has been tried in our court the past week, is the first case ever tried in our court that was brought by an employe against E. & T. Fairbanks & Co. Surely this is a remarkable record for a partnership and corporation that has been in business nearly 70

-The canvass for the St. Johnsbury post office opened on Monday morning with a rush and before the day was over almost every republican patron of the office had had a chance to sign petitions either for L. D. Hazen or W. W. Sprague. Of course it is too early to predict the result, but as soon as convenient the Vermont congressional delegation will take the matter up and give us a republican postmaster.

At Howe Opera House.

The farce comedy, "The Real Widow Brown," will be presented at the Opera House Saturday, Jan. 7th. This is the latest London and New York farcical suscess, and Manager A. Q. Scammon presents it with a carefully selected company of fun-makers The piece serves as vehicle for the introduction of the newest songs, pleasing dances and first-class specialties. We assure you the olliest time in many a month. Prices 25, 35 and 50 cents.

As the shadows deepened over Paddock village on Monday evening a large number of triends from the Church of the Messiah very pleasantly and successfully surprised Mrs. Poole of 4 John street, bringng with them hearty birthday greetings and a purse of silver in token of the high regard in which Mrs. Poole is held. Refreshments were served and an enjoyable

The County Court.

The evidence was concluded in the case -The Museum will be open Saturday of Joseph Boucher vs. E. & T. Fairbanks & Co., last Thursday atternoon; Friday -The scale works closed the first three days of this week for their annual inwent to the jury at 3 o'clock Friday af-

The jury reported a disagreement Saturday atternoon and was discharged at 2 o'clock without verdict. This leaves grip and there are many cases through- tried and a second trial will probably

out the town of a more or less serious occur at the June term. A recess was taken by the court from Saturday to Tuesday morning. Tues--The repairs on the gymnasium at the day, the case of Peter Frederick vs. Lor-Y. M. C. A. will be completed this week enzo Sulloway was tried. This is an and work in the classes will be resumed action in trover to recover the value of a horse taken on execution by Sheriff Sul--The installation and reception of the officers of Green Mountain Commandery, U. O. G. C., will take place at Pythian business on which he was dependent for -The annual meeting of the Caledonia a livelihood and was exempt from at-Fair Ground Company will be held in the Board of Trade rooms on Thursday, posite view of the case. The attorneys Brown of this place. are Howe and Dunnett for plaintiff, -The officers of Green Mountain Lodge,

Farnham & Porter for defendant. Probably the next case to be tried will will be installed next Saturday night by be J. G. Bussing vs. George C. Cary,

assault and battery. State's Attorney Slack assisted by -Mrs. F. O. Clark finds it physically impossible to continue the sale of food Saturday night and lodged the parties after Jan. 15, and extends thanks to her Upon arraignment Tuesday all pleaded Monday afternoon and evening and guilty and were sentenced to the House of Correction, Holmes for two years, about 300 accepted the hospitality. An orchestra furnished music to enliven the and one of the women for a year, the other for six months. The parties came from New Hampshire.

The Woman's Club.

The Woman's Club held its regular meeting Monday, January 2, at Pythian Hall. The Current Events paper, presented by Mrs. Susan H. Smith, was a most admirable review of the year just

-At the next regular meeting of Chamto Dr. E. W. Hitchcock, who spoke on cational institutions. St. Johnsbury has berlin Relief Corp. Thursday evening, "Domestic Science from a Physician's cause for just pride that she could give ham's Orchestra, assisted by P. J. Haley Jan. 5, the president is particularly desirous of a large attendance to prepare tions in regard to sanitation, proper tions to the city in boston a son whose modesty of Woodsville. Suppose to the city in boston a son whose modesty of woodsville. Standpoint, giving practical suggestions and the could not always hide like superior worth, and whose loss we, with so many a fine concert was given by Sam Currier. foods, regular exercise and other kindred

-Let us be thankful that there are no Miss Marion Patterson spoke briefly more holidays this year that fall on Sunon the value and nutriment of some vegetables, following with a much appre- Herald of Dec. 29; day. With the banks observing one day, the post office another and the stores neiciated demonstration lecture on the use ther of them, the average man hardly of the chafing dish.

> The programme for the afternoon was arranged by the Domestic Science committee, Mrs. Olive Randall, chairman. Two class notices were given; Shakespeare's play, "The Merry Wives of Windsor," is the topic for the Literature

> class, January 10. The Child Study class will meet at the

Museum, January 24. Grand Army Encampment.

Department Commander L. B. Harris of Lyndonville has recently returned from New York, where he had been to visit the national commander, to consult with him as to the propriety of the department encampment holding its next session in Montreal, the post in that city priety in going there, so it is probable that the next encampment will be held there in June. The post there is under the jurisdiction of the Vermont department, and another one has recently been

mustered in at Ouebec. If the encampment is held there the railroads will make low rates. The gathering will be of great interest as the Grand Army will get a rousing reception

from the citizens of Montreal. Littleton Festival.

The Lit leton Musical Association are preparing for their 31st annual festival, result of his studies in Shakesprare. He which promises to be the finest one ever given by the association. The following artists have been engaged:

Conductor, Henri G. Blaisdell, Concord ; Blaisdell's Orchestra, Concord, 10 pieces; accompanists, Clarence Dana Mooney, Newport, N. H., Mrs. Hattie Quimby Bingham, Littleton; soprano, Miss S Marcia Craft, Boston; contralto, Miss Edith F. Castle, Boston; tenor, George J. Parker, Boston; baritone, James T. Spellman, Concord; basso, D. M. Babcock, Boston; humorist, Charles T. Grilley, Boston. The festival begins Monday, Jan. 16,

Annual Meeting.

At the annual meeting of the South church Monday evening the following officers were elected for the ensuing year. Business committee, H. Paddock, C. Ranney, H. G. Ely.

and continues through the week.

Executive committee, S. H. Brackett, C. H. Merrill, E. C. Potter, D. Y. Comstock, J. M. Perham, M. E. Merrill, Mrs. Henry Fairbanks, Mrs G. M. Howe. Mrs. Rebecca P. Fairbanks, Miss C. S. Woodruff.

Music committee, C. H. Horton, C. W. Ruiter, Mrs. C. H. Stevens, Mrs. J. W. Titcomb, Miss I. M. Paddock. Treasurer, J. T. Ritchie. Sunday school superintendent, Henry

Fairbanks. Assistant, C. S. Adams. R.ceiver, F. S. Byron.

Death of Arthur M. Knapp.

News was received here last Wednesday of the death at his home in Boston of Arthur M. Knapp, librarian of Bates was stricken with paralysis a few weeks ago, as a result of an attack of the grip.

Comparatively few now living in this town had opportunity to know the personal worth and public services of Librathe case the same as if it had never been | rian Knapp of Boston, recently deceased, whose name has for many years been an Others are expected in the near future. honor to his native town.

Arthur Mason Knapp was born in Fairbanks Village, Aug. 8, 1839-in the from Fairbanks' office, and which originally stood where the office now is. His father, Hiram Knapp, was for many loway in behalf of Lane & Quimby of years bookkeeper in the "old counting Whitefield, N. H. The plaintiff claims room" of E. and T. Fairbanks and Co., that the horse was necessary in the a man of quiet presence, strength of character and intelligence; his mother, Sophronia Brown Knapp, still living at tachment. The defendant takes an op- the age of 84 years, is a sister of E. F. Arthur Knapp was from the first a

gentle, sweet-spirited lad whom everybody liked and trusted; playful, studious and correct after a most natural, modest fashion. St. Johnsbury Academy has Sheriff Sulloway raided the notorious always valued his name on her roll, and house of ill fame near Lyndon Corner his own interest in the school to which he contributed marked character and found there in jail. Informations were scholarship, continued through life. His filed against William Holmes, who has family having removed to Boston in been running the place, and two women. 1855 he enterrd Boston Latin School from which he graduated with highest honors. Alter four years at Harvard, and twelve as classical instructor at Auburn and Brookline he came to his important position in Boston Public Library, which for twenty four years he has graced with ripe scholarship, generous devotion and most courteous attention to visitors and and patrons. He will long be remembered for his expert accomplishments in bibliography, his quiet facility in directing the research of students, his delicate mor, and genial spirit.

Mr. Knapp was rarely absent from his post even for a vacation; but he never closed, touching briefly but thoroughly reckoned his year well rounded without on the many important history-making an August run up to St. Johnsbury, to events in our own and foreign countries. the faces of old friends and playmates; The Club had the pleasure of listening also keep up acquaintance with our eduin that city, are mourning today.

E. T. F. The following appreciative biographical tribute is taken from the Boston

He was a graduate of Harvard, class of 63, and was a classmate of the ex-Gov. Greenhalge, John Fiske, the historian; ex Secretary of the Treasury C. S. Fairchild and F. L. Higginson. He was born in St. Johnsbury, Vt., Aug. 8, 1839, and prepared for college in the Boston Latin school. After leaving Harvard he taught the classics and mathematics at Philips Exeter Academy and at the Brookline high school. On Jan. 21, 1875, he joined the Public Library staff, at first as curator of periodicals and pamphlets, beside what

are called the "cabinet" books in the Barton and Prince libraries-large folios in curious and rare bindings, dear to the bibliophile. He catalogued the Barton library of Shakesperiana, and acquired in the work a taste for research in Shakespeare's doings that endured to his death. He was married in 1875 to Miss Abby Bartlett, who died in 1876. In 1878 he was placed in charge of Bates Hall, and became probably the best known personage to the general public around the library. He was a target for all sorts of questions on every conceivable subject, and was rarely at loss for a satisfactory response. He united a patient and courteous manner, a gift for research and a knowledge of the resources of the great library that made him an invaluable aid to the student anxious to explore its riches His place developed a unique variety of talent, which could perhaps be generalized as a knowledge of books, though he sedulously avoided a desultory habit by thoroughly working up a tew specialties. He became a protound student of early Elizabethan literature, largely as one had always kept up in genealogy long before it had attained its present vogue, and was one of the recognized authorities in that curious field of research.

Aside from these subjects, he had of necessity some sort of information in almost every branch of knowledge, and in very many had a great deal, the countless questions showered upon him in his daily work compelling a delving in both familiar and out of the way lines. Authors working up a "period" in their latest in their branches, stage people seeking points on costume, artists searching for historical "motifs," are samples of the varied sorts of people he had to meet, all of whom were set agoing satisfactorily and, if time served, were often buried in an embarrassment

Sousa's Band Coming.

Arrangements have been completed by Charles A. Chapman with Everett R. Reynolds, general manager of Sousa and his band, for a grand concert in Music Hall on Wednesday evening, May 24. The band will commence its trans-continental tour of America, covering 25,000 miles, at Baltimore the latter part of this month, and lasting until June. St. Johnsbury is very fortunate in having Mr. Chapman secure an engagement with the 'March King," as this famous band plays only in the largest cities this season, and their appearance here is sure to be greeted by a crowded house.

Among the Churches.

The North church choir repeated last Sunday evening Dudley Buck's "Coming of the King." Besides the regular choir noon the arguments closed and the case | Hall in the Boston Public Library. He | Miss M bel F. Hill of the Boston Star Company sang most acceptable solos at both services.

Three persons were received into the membership of the Baptist church at the Covenant meeting last Wednesday evenng. These make seven that have united with this church since Nov. 1st 1898. The treasurer reports that when all bills in favor of the society are collected and all pledges redeemed there will be only a small deficit in the treasury. small house first on the right going west adjourned session of the annual business meeting was held on Tuesday evening. Devotional meetings will be held on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings. Wednesday evening at the church, Thursday at Dea. Lyman Hooker's, and Friday at Charles A. Chadbourne's. A cordial invitation to these meetings is extended to all persons. The subject of discourse next Sunday morning will be 'Philip's Invitation to Nathaniel," and in the evening "Harder not to be a Chris-

tian than to be.' First Church of Christ, Scientist, Odd Fellows block. Sunday morning service 10 45. Sulject, "Life." Sunday school at the close of morning service. Wednesday evening meeting at 7 30.

The annual roll call, reunion and reception of the South church will be held this evening at the church parlors. The annual meeting and roll call of the

North church will be held this evening in

the church parlors. Supper will be served at 6 30 p. m At the Church of the Messiah next Sunday morning the pastor, Rev. Harry Lawrence Veazey, will preach upon "Destroying the Devil."

The Y. P. C. U. of the Church of the Messiah has begun the new year most auspiciously by adopting an improved plan for conducting its devotional meetings, which are held in the vestry at 7.30

on Sunday evenings. "Samson, the Sunny Tempered Her-cules," will be the topic of the lecture next Sunday evening by Rev. Mr. Tyrie at Grace Methodist church.

New Year's Ball.

Company D gave their annual ball last Friday evening at the Armory, which was enjoyed by a large crowd. Graham's Orchestra, assisted by P. J. Haley a fine concert was given by Sam Currier, reader, S. M. Worcester, character sketch artist and Miss Kitty Straub, skirt dancer. The boys were much pleased at the success of the venture and realized a good sum to help out on their expenses.

W. C. T. U.

The regular meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union was held in Y. M. C. A. parlors, Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 27. A good number of members were present and suggestions were given in regard to an entertainment to be given in the near future, for the benefit of temperance work. Thoughts were expressed as to different plans of work for the Rescue Home in Burlington, a good home for homeless girls sustained by individual contributions and in charge of a nice woman as matron. It is hoped that the Christian women of our town will heartily respond to this call and will help

in the noble work bet ire us.

An Educated Horse. The many friends of "Jock," the fleet roadster, owned by Rev. H. L. Venzey, will, it may seem strange to read, be glad to hear that, besides celebrating Christmas in a most "smashing" man-

ner, has also taken to drink. Water is secured in his stable by turning a short lever quarter-way-round. "Jock" has learned the combination so that he now turns on the fluid, secures a drink, turns it off again, and retires to his stall with the air of being perfectly satisfied with himself and the horse world in general. His owner contemplates teaching him to ride a bievele.

Supt. Hardy's Excellent Work.

The many friends of A. L. Hardy will be interested in the following commendatory words from the Amherst Record:

"A. I. Hardy as school superintendent is rapidly proving himself the right man in the right place. In the short time be has been in Amherst he has acquainted himself thoroughly with our public school system in all its workings and has made the acquaintance of teachers work, students looking for a clew to the and scholars as well. He has thus been able to detect the weak points and to strengthen them. The schools were never in better shape or doing better work than today."

Bank Statements.

The Merchants Bank has declared a dividend of 11/2 per cent. As they declared 21/2 per cent last July this makes a dividend of four per cent for the year.

The First National has declared a dividend of 21/2 per cent. Their surplus Dec. 31, 1898, was \$15,000 and undivided profits \$16.019 91.

The Citizens Bank has declared a four per cent semi annual dividend to its stockholders and a two per cent semiannual dividend to its depositors in the savings department. This bank has deposits amounting to \$1,295,028 10 and undivided profits of \$40,344.16.

The Passompsic Savings Bank reports a prosperous year and paid on Jan. 2 a semi-annual dividend of 2 per cent. This makes 4 per cent for the year, free of tax.